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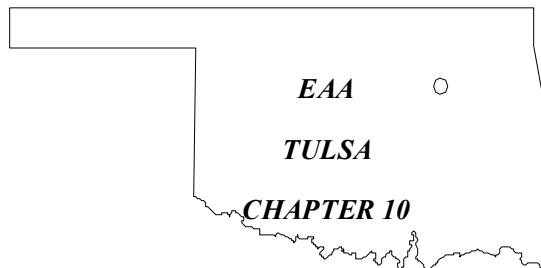
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Next Meeting (Pie Auction!) **Monday, Nov 18 7:30pm**  
Christmas Party **Saturday, Dec 7 7:00pm**

**CHAPTER HOME AT GUNDY'S**

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## ***From the President***

*by Bhrent Waddell*

### ***End of Year Schedule***

As we approach the holiday season, the calendar starts getting full, so mark yours for these activities for Chapter 10. We will have the November meeting on the third Monday, November 18, at 7:30p.m., but the December meeting will be replaced by the Chapter's Christmas Party on Saturday, December 7, at 7:00p.m. These are two special events for the Chapter, so plan on attending both.

#### ***Pie Auction***

The program for the November meeting will be the annual Pie Auction. Members are asked to bring a pie that will be auctioned to the highest bidder. Auctioneers, Craig Loomiller and Bart Dalton, are hoping to have some unique pies with which to tempt us. We expect this year's auction to be as strange, I mean "entertaining", as prior years. Proceeds will be used to buy door prizes for the Christmas party.

#### ***Christmas Party***

The Christmas Party will be 7:00 PM Saturday, December 7, at the Hanger. Don't wait to sign up! The cost is \$12.50 per person, and reservations must be accompanied by payment. Reservations can be made with Craig Loomiller or Darlene Opdyke. Don't delay because we will only have 80 seats and, with over 120 members, seating will be limited. Besides door prizes, there will be a gift exchange. Each man should bring a gift for a man and each woman should bring a woman's gift. Be sure to mark the gift as a man's or woman's gift.

Each year we decorate the hanger for the Christmas party. This year we plan on decorating on Sunday, December 1, at 1:00p.m. Lunch consisting of chili and crackers will be provided. The meal should be a welcome change from turkey left-overs and after a few hours the work, we'll be ready for the party.

#### ***Thanks***

Thanks to the Chapter 10 Board members, pancake breakfast volunteers, Young Eagle pilots and support members, and the membership as a whole for making my two years as Chapter President very enjoyable. The Board members, Bart Dalton, Craig

Loomiller, and Gerald Vaughan, with the support of Bob Minich, newsletter editor, John Forister, past president, Chris Kessler, web master, and Charles Freeland and Dan Kloker, our Young Eagles coordinators, have attended board meetings, newsletter mailings, and other events that have been essential to supporting the Chapter. Without their conscientious support, we could not have had the quality programs and activities that we have had this year.

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## ***Treasurer Report***

*by Craig Loomiller*

Since this is the last newsletter for the year, I'd like to use this article to recap the Chapter accomplishments and milestones for 2002.

#### ***Membership***

We currently have 141 members in our Chapter. This is about the same number as we had at this time last year and also for the year before. This indicates we have a stable membership, which is something we can all be proud of. After talking to other Chapter leaders around the country, this total also puts us at the upper end in terms of membership numbers. Our large membership helps us technically. With a large membership, you do not have to go very far to find help with a problem, as there is usually someone around with that expertise. In addition, how many chapters have their own DAR? Thanks, Bart.

#### ***Financials***

As Treasurer for the last two years, it was my privilege to help take care of the Chapter's financial affairs. Our Chapter is on very stable financial footings. Between the yearly dues and the monthly pancake breakfast, we can cover almost all of our expenses associated with the Chapter. We have monthly rent and utilities, insurance, facility maintenance and upgrades, and this year we sent a student to the EAA Youth Academy with all expenses paid. After all this, as of November, we have spent \$150 more than we've brought in for the year, and we still have one more breakfast to go. So we are in pretty good shape financially. If you have an interest, the books are open to any member. I'm stepping down as Treasurer at the end of the

December after a serving a two year term. Your new Treasurer will be Jeff Wedman. I will assist Jeff to ensure a smooth transition.

#### *Dues*

Chapter dues are due at the end of the year. Our membership runs from January to January each year. Our dues are still \$20.00 a year. This is a pretty good deal as far as membership dues go. Most chapters have a dues structure that is higher than ours. We are very fortunate in that we can keep our costs down.

#### *Facility Projects*

We have accomplished a couple of hangar improvements this year. The most visible is the new hangar air conditioning system. Thanks to the generosity of many of our members both financially and with their labor, the hangar is now air-conditioned for your comfort. The hangar also has a new on-demand hot water system in the kitchen. We had a ten-gallon hot water heater before that just was not up to the demands of a working kitchen. There is nothing worse than trying to clean with cold water. The Chapter has also volunteered its labor to help Roger Weiden put a BD-5 on a pole out on 76<sup>th</sup> street in front of the airport. The project is not done yet, but is getting close. The plane is just about ready for hanging just as soon as the pole is placed.

#### *Entertainment*

I thought we had a good variety of guest speakers this year for the meetings. I especially liked the talk on sailplanes given by Chapter member Bob Thrasher and I liked Lorin Wilkinson's Hatz Bi-plane meeting. Hopefully we can get more speakers like these guys next year. If any of you have an idea for a meeting, please see one of the officers. We had two poker runs this year that were well attended. I just mad that I didn't win any money, but I guess there is always next year. I felt the headcounts were down for the Chapter picnic and the WingDing but were up for the Watermelon Feed this year. Next year it will probably be just the opposite. Bart and I will have agreed to be the auctioneers for the pie auction next week. If you haven't been to one, I spend most of my time trying to keep Bart under control. He really gets carried away sometimes. We have a lot of fun doing

it and the money raised helps out with the expenses of the Christmas party. I hope you can attend.

#### *Christmas Party*

Darlene Opdyke and I will be collecting money for this year's Christmas Party. I do not know how much it is going to be this year or who the caterer will be at the time of this writing. Please see Brent's column for more details. It should be a fun event again this year. I hope you all can attend.

#### *Vice-President*

Next year I will be moving up into the office of Vice-President. I am looking forward to assisting our new President, Bart Dalton. I know that Bart has a lot of ideas concerning our Chapter and it should be an exciting year. I can't wait.

See you at the Christmas Party!

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### ***Message From the Editor***

*by Bob Minich*

#### *Contributors this Month*

Thanks to Charlie Freeland for his article below on a recent Young Eagles event. If we are to maintain our freedom to fly in the face of challenges from abroad and at home, we must spark in these youth the aviation bug. Likewise, I rely on our membership to help me fill your chapter newsletter. I hope I've done a good job this last year and look forward to next year's activities as well.

If you'd like to contribute a story of your own, the best way to submit an article is sending email to me as:

[minich@ionet.net](mailto:minich@ionet.net)

You can also phone me if you'd like. As always, I'll publish just about anything you send, so take a moment and write up a short story on you aviation adventures.

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## ***Young Eagles and Chaos Theory: Designed by a Third Grade Teacher***

*by Charlie Freeland*

November 6<sup>th</sup> broke blindingly clear and near calm after weeks of low clouds, rain, and drizzle. I was up with the birds, putting finishing touches on our plans for the Young Eagles Day for Prue third graders. I arrived at the hanger just minutes before the first plane taxied into position. We opened up, turned on the heat, and set out chairs for the class, twenty-eight of them. I opened a new stack of certificates and set them out for the pilots to fill out. I turned on the TV, VCR, and speaker systems. Then checked the EAA Young Eagles video, ready to entertain the half of the class who would need to wait for the second round of rides. Gradually, the pilots and their eagles arrived, ready for the joy of giving children their first airplane ride, ever.

### ***If You Organize It, They Will Come***

The bus turned into the parking area, followed by several parents and baby children in three or four cars. I hopped into the bus and introduced myself, "Hi! I'm Dr. Freeland. I am your Flight Leader for today!" A few words about safety, props, and safe areas to play until their pilots escort them to the eagles are shared. Then out they flew into the hanger to take their seats. Ms. Robinson is holding the permission forms, all twenty-eight of them.

And the lesson begins: weather and aviation, what makes airplanes fly, the importance of learning their math and science, the importance of staying away from drugs, explaining "aviatrix" to children so they can use the restroom. Then it was time to introduce the pilots and assign them their charges. Three each for Jerry, Paul, and Bhrent. Five for Jim Gallaway. And off they go for pre-flights and take off.

I turn on the video and begin preparing the paperwork. Almost before I can finish the fourteen forms and certificates, Jerry and his crew are back! I rush out the door with camera and certificates in hand. Hand out the paper, take the picture, and rush back in as the second plane taxies in to unload. And the swap goes on: certificates, pictures, new crew.

Then they are off again with the second half of the class.

### ***Origin Of The Theory***

It was while I was back in the hanger doing the paperwork for the second flight that I made my observation about who discovered and first wrote about Chaos Theory. The fourteen children who had just returned were wired! Their energy was pumping! They were like vibrating atoms. Bouncing from wall to wall, spinning in undefined courses, weaving throughout the building and the porch. Total unpredictability! (Nothing destructive or out of order, they were just moving in total joy!) It was then that the discovery hit me: Chaos Theory had to have been discovered by a third grade teacher! Who else lives with twenty-eight children spinning and weaving in non-directional courses for hours on end every day? It had to be one of them who asked the defining question, "What if we apply this observation to physics?"

Moments later all of the second flight were back. Certificates, pictures, group pictures, expressions of thanks and gratitude, and the bus is moving down the road to McDonalds. In the glowing quiet of pilots finishing out paper work, Jim notes, "You know, of the ten kids I flew, nine had never been in any airplane in their lives! What an honor to have introduced them to the joy of flying! Thanks Jim, Jerry, Paul, and Bhrent! We couldn't have had this day without you! And twenty-eight Young Eagles thank you too!"

### ***How You Can Help Fly Young Eagles***

If you would like to share the joy of introducing children to flying, please contact Dr. Freeland and sign onto the flight crew. He will be more than happy to share the requirements and the obligations involved. Home: 272-9829 and office: 272-0691.

**CALENDAR**

**1<sup>st</sup> Monday Each month Board Meeting at the chapter hangar at Gundy's 7:00pm**

**2nd Monday each month Newsletter Folding at the hangar - Gundy's Airport 7:00pm**

**3rd Monday each month Chapter 10 EAA meeting at the hangar - Gundy's Airport 7:30pm**

**1st Saturday each month Ponca City Aviation Booster club Breakfast Fly-In.**

**1st Saturday after 3rd Monday - each month Pancake Breakfast - Gundy's Airport**

*Please note that that in the board meeting, newsletter folding, and regular meetings are skipped in December in lieu of the busy season and the Christmas Party.*

November 18 – Chapter Meeting & Pie Auction 7:30  
 November 23 – EAA10 Pancake Breakfast 7:30-9:00  
 December 7 – Ponca City Breakfast Fly-in  
 December 7 – Christmas Party

**WHO BRINGS SNACKS????**

January A-C  
 February D-F  
 March G-H  
 April I-L  
 June M  
 July N-P  
 August – watermelon provided  
 September Q-S  
 October T-V  
November W-Z

**WEB PAGE NEWSLETTER**

<http://www.eaa10.org/>

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**EAA Tulsa Chapter 10  
 New Member Application**

<b>Name</b>	
<b>Address</b>	
<b>City</b>	
<b>State</b>	
<b>ZIP</b>	
<b>Email Address</b>	
<b>Home Phone#</b>	
<b>Work Phone#</b>	
<b>Co-pilot/Spouse</b>	
<b>National Membership #</b>	
<b>Aircraft owned (make/model)</b>	
<b>Projects in progress/% complete</b>	
<b>Date</b>	
<b>Membership dues:</b>	<b>\$20</b>

Bring the application to next meeting or mail to:

EAA TULSA CHAPTER 10  
 CHAPTER TREASURER  
 16876 E. 79TH COURT NORTH  
 OWASSO, OK 74055



# **EAA 10 Christmas Party**

7:00 PM December 7, 2002

At the Chapter Hanger

\$12.50 per person

## **Door prizes**

The chapter will provide door prizes.

## **Dinner by Perfect Touch Catering**

- Prime Rib or Chicken
- Scalloped Potatoes
- Cabbage Rolls
- Tabouli Salad
- Vegetable & Dip Tray
- Bread And Dessert

## **Gift exchange**

Each man brings a gift for a man and each woman brings a gift for a woman.

There are only 80 seats available so make your reservation early by mailing it with your check to:

**Craig Loomiller**

16876 E. 79<sup>th</sup> Court North

Owasso OK 74055

**Darlene Opdyke**

or 13535 N. 155<sup>th</sup> E. Ave

Collinsville OK 74021

You can make your reservations at the November 18<sup>th</sup> meeting by paying Craig Loomiller or Darlene Opdyke.

***Reservations will NOT be accepted unless accompanied by payment for the meal(s).***





*Blueberry...Apple...Pecan...Cherry...*

*Chocolate...Coconut...Rhubarb...*

**Lemon Meringue... Banana Crème**

\*\*\* What Do All These Have In Common? \*\*\*

**!!!!!!! THEY'RE PIES !!!!!!!**

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*You are cordially invited to the*  
**EAA Chapter 10 Pie Auction**  
**Monday, November 18<sup>th</sup> @ 7:30 P.M.**

**EAA CHAPTER 10**  
**CHRISTMAS PARTY**  
**PIE AUCTION**

**Monday November 18, 2002**  
**7:30 PM**

**DON'T MISS OUT! BE THERE!**

**P.S. Please bring a pie to auction off.**  
**Proceeds will be used to buy door prizes for the Christmas party.**

